

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
March 9, 2010

- I. Chair John Halloran called the regular meeting of the Hall Memorial Library Board to order at 7:35 PM. Members present were Mary Clements, Janet Wieliczka, Peter Nickerson, Jeanne Zulick, Patricia Grundman, Assistant Library Director and Children's Librarian, and Susan Phillips, Library Director. Marcia Downs was present as Recording Secretary.
- II. Citizen's Forum – There were no citizens present at this meeting.
- III. Approval of Minutes of the February 2010 Meeting – The minutes were reviewed by members present and were unanimously approved as submitted (Clements/Wieliczka).
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Mary Clements circulated the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2010. The report was reviewed by the members present.
- V. Library Director's Report – Susan Phillips distributed copies of the Library Director's Report dated March 9, 2010. The report was read and discussed.
- VI. Friends of the Library Report – Peter Nickerson reported that the Friends Book Sale will be held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 9, 10, and 11, with a preview for Friends members held on Thursday night April 8. Buy and fill a bag for \$8.00. The fundraiser of photo sessions for the Friends of the Library and the Ellington Women's Club has reached the required amount of tickets presold to go forward.
- VII. New Business – A. Review of Library Policies – The Library Policies have been circulated among the Board Members. – B. Review of By-Laws – It was noted that in our By-Laws we do not have a Board Mission Statement, and that the terminology has changed; now referring to 'Directors' as 'Trustees'. The text will need to be updated to reflect these changes. – C. – Long Range Plan - The Long Range Plan, which was completed in June 2007, was circulated for review. – D. – Sources of Income – It is time again to review the sources of income for the Board members, having the Town Treasurer, Nick diCorletto, speak before the Board in the near future.
- VIII. Director's Concerns – Susan Phillips related an email conversation between First Selectman Maurice Blanchette and Jim Connolly of the Ellington Community Scholarship Association regarding a proposed ECSA fundraiser. The group would like to place a collection bin for used books at Brookside Park. Discussion about possible competition with the Friends of the Library Book Sales ensued. John Halloran will send a memo to Mr. Blanchette relating our concerns, and Sue will monitor and relay any developments. Board Member Jeanne Zulick raised a question concerning the Ethics Code put forth by the Town Ethics Committee with relation to the waiver of Library Fines for the Board of Directors' members, which was always done as an unwritten courtesy. She was concerned that this practice was in opposition to the Ethics Code, and the Board members agreed to discontinue this practice.
- IX. Correspondence - None.
- X. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia H. Downs